

Small business???

The Associated Press reported:

"Here are some of the companies that have made donations to the campaign to pass Proposition 64 and some of the lawsuits that have been filed against them under California's unfair competition law:

-Blue Cross of California. Donation: \$250,000. Unfair competition suits have accused the health care company of... discriminating against non-company emergency room doctors and underpaying hospitals.

-Bank of America. Donation: \$100,000. A jury found the bank misrepresented to customers that it had the right to take Social Security and disability funds from their accounts to pay overdraft charges and other fees.

-Microsoft. Donation: \$100,000. Suit... accuses the computer giant of failing to alert customers to security flaws that allow hackers to break into its computer systems by gaining some personal information.

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–Kaiser Foundation Health Plan. Donation \$100,000. One suit accused the health care provider of false advertising for claiming that only doctors, not administrators, made decisions about care...

–State Farm. Donation: \$100,000. A group of victims of the 1994 Northridge earthquake accused the company of reducing their quake coverage without adequate notice. State Farm reportedly was forced to pay \$100 million to policyholders.”

Quoting the Attorney General’s senior consumer attorney in the Department of Justice, the Los Angeles Times reports: “The initiative ‘goes unbelievably far,’... ‘Throwing the baby out with the bathwater is not the best thing’... the (current) law has been used successfully to protect the public from polluters, unscrupulous financing schemes and religious discrimination.”

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